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## GERMANY.

Report from Berlin-Plague and cholera in various countries.

BERLIN, GERMANY, March 15, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following information obtained from the imperial health office:

RUSSIA—Plague.—In the Kirgisen reservation Karakuk a total number of 13 persons have fallen victims to the disease. The last patient

recovered on February 22.

British East India.—In the presidency of Bombay there occurred, during the week ended February 8, 1,770 plague cases, and 1,293 deaths—that is to say, 519 cases and 314 deaths more than during the foregoing week. In the city of Bombay there were, during the week ended February 9, 1,056 cases of plague, 309 more than in the previous week. Of the 2,021 deaths during this week, 875 were proven to be due to plague. Including those deaths designated as of "suspected" plague, there were in all 1,359 death cases, 283 more than in the foregoing week, ascribed to the plague.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—In the case of the coolie who died in Singapore on February 1, the cause of death is officially confirmed to be the plague. The man had been employed in the same house in which a

case of plague occurred in the middle of January.

CAPE COLONY.—Up to March 2, 50 plague cases had occurred in Cape Town, of which 12 terminated fatally. Several plague cases have

also occurred in 2 districts outside Cape Town.

ARGENTINA.—In the isolation hospital at San Nicolas there were 5 plague patients on February 7. And, according to a communication of the same date, several cases of "suspected" plague had occurred in the cities of Belle Ville, Marios Juarez of the province of Cordoba. The Government has caused 400 dock workers in San Nicolas to be treated with plague serum as a means of prevention.

QUEENSLAND.—The port of Brisbane was officially declared free from

plague on January 23.

BRITISH EAST INDIA—Cholera.—Twenty persons died of cholera during the period from February 3 to February 9. In Moulmein and the surrounding district (province Burma) cholera has been raging since the middle of December last year. Smallpox has also broken out among the coolie population.

Respectfully,

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Plague in Cape Town.

BERLIN, GERMANY, March 13, 1901.

[Clipping from the "Vossische Zeitung," March 12. Sent by P. A. Surg. J. B. Greene.]

CAPE TOWN, *March 11*, 1901.

Plague is spreading in a dangerous manner. To-day 15 fresh cases have been reported; 97 persons are under observation. The disease is now attacking the well-to-do people. An European and his family have been taken to the hospital, and other cases of plague have occurred among Europeans here.